FISCAL NOTE

SB 3602 - HB 3360

March 20, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits health facilities from charging an indigent person for furnishing copies of the patient's medical records and authorizes a facility to require the submission of a notarized Affidavit of Indigency as proof of indigency from any patient not being represented under a Social Security Act benefits claim or appeal or by an indigent legal assistance organization.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumption:

• The Department of Health will not incur a significant increase in expenditures to notify survey staff of the requirement changes.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director